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On September 1, 2017, The region's Agriculture Policy Advisor did follow up on request from Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) and Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for salinity probes to determine if surface water can be used for livestock uses. It was determined that region has all salinity probes already deployed in Bird Creek. Through communications to various external partners, the Agriculture Advisor was able to arrange conductivity meters Texas AgriLife has to contacts working with TAHC and TDA. These meters were previously purchased with CWA Section 319h funds the Region manages and awards to Texas. In addition EPA on-scene coordination staff made contact with USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service staff to facilitate monitoring equipment be loaned to TAHC and TDA. The need is that ranchers need to know if water resources for their livestock is safe to use. Salinity levels above 5,000 part per million become are no longer satisfactory for cattle use.

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